Preliminary Amendment SHEPHERD PCT/GB2003/003064

## **REMARKS**

Preliminary amendment of the above-identified application before calculation of the fee and examination of the U.S. national stage is requested.

Claims 1 through 13 are pending. Claims 1 and 5 are amended. Claim 12 is cancelled. Claim 13 is added. No new matter is added.

Favorable consideration of the application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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